

THE FRIDAY FLASH !!!!!

Here's some of the latest news from across my desk this past week hope it is helpful to you!

ACTE CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

~from Eric Swenson, President Elect, Montana ACTE, dated November 27, 2007~

"The ACTE Region V conference is April 9-12, 2008, in San Diego. Karen Nelson, Conference Chair, is requesting two workshops from each state and currently Montana has not had a submission. If you would like to spend a few days in the spring in sunny San Diego at the Bahia Resort, **please contact Eric rockingebar@hotmail.com** or Diana for the *Call for Presentations* form. The deadline for submission is November 30.

TECHNOLOGY CONTENT STANDARDS REVISION TEAM NEEDED

~from Linda McCulloch, Superintendent, Montana Office of Public Instruction, dated November 21, 2007~

"The Office of Public Instruction is seeking nominations for participants in the revision of ... the Technology Content Standards. Members of the revision teams can expect to meet three times between January and April, 2008, participate in teleconferences and correspond via e-mail and/or other telecommunications methods in order to complete the process of revising the ... Technology Content Standards. Revision team members are selected from nominations by professional education organizations and will meet the following criteria: 1) representation from K-16 teacher experts in information literacy; 2) geographic distribution; 3) large/small district representation; 4) cultural diversity and special populations representation; and 5) at least one administrator. Please **return nomination forms by Thursday, December 6**, for any individuals your organization wishes to identify as a qualified and interested participant in this important process. The nomination form can be found at: <http://www.opi.mt.gov/pdf/libmedia/SRTNNomForm.pdf>. The nomination form should be mailed to the Office of Public Instruction, ATTN: Colet Bartow, PO Box 202501, Helena, MT 59620-2501.

DECA SCHOOL-BASED ENTERPRISE UPDATE

~from Sissy Long, DECA, Inc. dated November 20, 2007~

"DECA has a new SBE Advisory Council whose main purpose is to map a plan for strengthening and expanding DECA school stores. Below are some of the Council's recommendations that we are in the process of implementing: SBE website updates; SBE Academy at ICDC; online survey/needs assessment; Press Release template; SBE logo; SBE Certification logo; sample School Store Handbook; adding a "What's Working" section to the website.

Announcing an SBE Academy at ICDC for Gold Certified School Stores

Starting this year in Atlanta, Gold Level Certified SBEs who attend ICDC will participate in a School-Based Enterprise Academy. As part of the Academy, students will make presentations on topics relating to school store operation and the top three presenters on each topic will be videotaped. These instruction tapes will be added to the SBE web site as a teaching/learning resource for other school stores. More details regarding the SBE Academy will be forthcoming. For more information on DECA School-based Enterprises, contact Sissy Long at sjldeca@aol.com or check out <http://www.schoolbasedenterprises.org>.

BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN DECA AND FINISH LINE

~from Edward Davis, Executive Director, DECA, Inc., dated October, 2007~

"One of DECA's most dynamic business supporters wants to partner with you, the local chapter advisor. Finish Line has served on DECA's National Advisory Board for five years ... and they currently employ over 1,200 DECA/Delta members. Finish Line is looking for students who work well in a fast-paced team environment, demonstrate leadership, have a great work ethic, and exhibit outstanding customer service. We encourage you to contact your local Finish Line store manager to form an education and employment partnership. Because of their strong promotion of DECA/Delta Epsilon Chi within the company, you will receive a warm welcome at your local Finish Line store."

In Montana—specifically in MISSOULA—I encourage you to contact our one and only Finish Line store: Ms. Tessa Lucas, Southgate Mall, 2901 Brooks St. H-3, Missoula, MT 59801 phone number: 406-721-5354.

DATES TO INCLUDE ON YOUR CALENDARS

January 18-20, 2008, 8th Annual *Marketing Education Conference*, Point Clear, Alabama, For more information, visit their website: <http://www.nationalmea.org>.

February 29, 2008, "*Global Economy*" *workshop*, 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM, Bozeman, MT. Sponsored by the Montana Council on Economic Education (MCEE). Monies for subs/expenses are available. For more information, contact Stacey Alzheimer at mcee@montana.edu.

April 7, 2008, 13th annual *Economics Challenge*, Great Northern Hotel, Helena, MT. Sponsored by the Montana Council on Economic Education (MCEE). For more information, contact Stacey Alzheimer at mcee@montana.edu.

June 18-20, 2008, "*How to Teach Economics*" summer workshop in Bozeman, MT. 1 graduate credit, plus monies for expenses are available. For more information, contact Stacey Alzheimer at mcee@montana.edu.

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